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STATEMENT BY CHAIRMAN SPENCE

ON THE DEATH OF REPRESENTATIVE HERB BATEMAN

“I am deeply saddened by the passing of my good friend and colleague, Herb Bateman. Herb was a valued leader of the House Armed Services Committee whose actions always reflected his strongly held convictions and duty to the United States and the U.S. armed services. He earned our respect through his selfless actions, his enduring efforts to ensure the well being of U.S. service members and their families, and his leadership as chairman of the Subcommittee on Military Readiness in the battle to protect the integrity and capability of the U.S. military. Herb left an enduring legacy of honesty and candor that every American would do well to remember. Our nation will miss his service as a Congressman, and those who were lucky enough to know him will long miss him as a friend. Mrs. Spence and I would like to extend our sympathies to Herb’s wife, Laura, and the rest of the Bateman family. Our thoughts and prayers are with them all.”

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